MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Yes, the corrospondence is being hastened.

Delay in filling Vacancies in the P. W. Department.

275. MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that several vacancies in the Upper Subordinate Grade of the Public Works Department are left unfilled for more than five years; and

(*b*) if so, the reasons for the delay in filling up these vacancies?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) There are some acting vacancies to be filled up.

(*b*) There are no special reasons.

MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*): With reference to the answer to part (*a*) of the question, may I know whether the vacancies will ever be filled up?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): They will be filled up soon.

Remission of Tax.

276. MR. V. CHELLAM PILLAI (*Tovala*): Will the Government be pleased to state the area of the paddy fields commanded by the Kodayar Project for which remission of tax was allowed in respect of the last Kanni crop on account of total failure of crops caused by want of water in the Kodayar reservoir?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Statements for remission of tax on the affected areas are being received and disposed of. It is not therefore possible now to state the area for which remission has been allowed.

Need for a Munsiff's Court at Bhutapandi.

277. MR. V. CHELLAM PILLAI (*Tovala*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received petitions from the inhabitants of the Tovala taluk praying for a Munsiff's Court at Bhutapandi; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken by them in the matter?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) The answer is in the negative.

Administration of Justice.

278. MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the amount realised by them from the Department of Administration of Justice, inclusive of the value realised by the sale of Court-fee stamps and copying papers used in civil and criminal courts, during the years 1100, 1101, 1102 and 1103; and

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(*b*) the expenditure incurred on account of the Administration of Justice during the above-said years ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) and (*b*) A statement* showing (1) the Revenue credited to "XI—Administration of Justice", (2) the sale proceeds of Court-fee stamps (inclusive of copying papers) credited to "VII—Stamps" and (3) the expenditure charged to "16—Administration of Justice" for the years 1100 to 1103, is laid on the table.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : With reference to part (2) of the answer, may I know whether the Government do not think that it would be desirable to include the sale proceeds of Court fee stamps under the Head—Administration of Justice ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : No, it is not proposed to do so.

Appointments made by the Dewan Peishkar, Quilon.

279. **MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a list of the acting, permanent and temporary appointments made by the Dewan Peishkar, Quilon, during the year 1103, containing the following particulars :—

(*a*) the names of persons so appointed ;

(*b*) their qualifications ;

(*c*) the community to which each of them belongs ; and

(*d*) the names and qualifications of the applicants to the several posts or vacancies ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : A statement† containing the information asked for by the member is laid on the table.

Kanipattu lands in the Neyyattinkara Taluk.

280. **MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the approximate extent of *Kanipattu* lands in the Neyyattinkara taluk ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : 34,060 acres.

Need for a Police Station at Kanjirankulam.

281. **MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received a petition from the inhabitants of Kanjirankulam, Nellikkakuzhi, Manaveli, Tirupuram, Chami, Pulluvila, Kottukal, Nellimud and Kazhuvur, which are within the pakuties of Karinkulam, Kottukal and Tirupuram in the Neyyattinkara taluk, inviting the attention of the Government to the urgent necessity for opening a Police Station at Kanjirankulam ; and

(*b*) whether they have taken any, and, if so, what action on the same ?

* *Vide* Appendix VI—page 40. † *Vide* Appendix VII—pages 41 and 42.

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